

REMARKS

Claims 1-52 are in the application and were indicated as allowable.

As discussed with the Examiner, the amendments herein are to correct two types of typographical errors that were present in the claims.

With respect to original claims 7, 10 and 11, the changes to these claims are non-substantive changes to correct the following respective errors: in claim 7, "said" was inadvertently left out of the claim; in claim 10, "of" in two places was misprinted as "or;" and in claim 11, "spaced-apart" was misspelled as "space-apart" and "fourth means detects" was deleted (as is apparent from the original claims, claim 11 is a method claim and there is no antecedent basis for the "fourth means" as it was included as an obvious typographical error). Applicant believes that the support for these changes is apparent as they merely correct obvious typographical errors that do not materially change the scope or allowability of the original claims.

With respect to claims 14, 15, 29, and 41, the amendments herein are merely to reverse the amendments made in the paper submitted September 23, 2002, as this prior amendment was never intended to be an amendment, but instead was merely to show for the record the changes that had been made in a prior amendment.

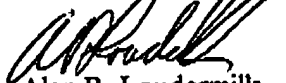
With respect to claims 17 and 18, the amendments herein clarify certain dependent features of the claimed invention and are supported by, for example, col. 11, lines 43-49, and col. 14, lines 55-58, etc.

Based on the foregoing amendment, Applicant is endeavoring to submit under separate cover a newly-executed supplemental oath, which references the errors in the original claims herein corrected.

No new matter has been added. If there are any questions regarding this amendment, Applicant's attorney requests an opportunity to discuss such questions with the Examiner by way of a telephone interview.

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